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Ladies and Gentleman:

Pursuant to Federal Aviation Regulation (FAR) 11.25, TWA Airlines LLC, (TWA) petitions the Administrator for an extension of Exemption No. 7481 (Docket: FAA-2001-9349). This request does not seek a change to the current exemption. Exemption No. 7481 will expire on April 30, 2003.

Exemption No. 7481 provides relief from FAR 121.433(c)(1)(iii), 121.441(a)(1) and (b)(1), and Appendix F to Part 121 to permit TWA to combine recurrent flight and ground training and proficiency checks for TWA's flight crew members in a single annual training and proficiency evaluation program.

This exemption is and will continue to be subject to the conditions and limitations listed on pages two through eight of the original Exemption 7481. The relief under these conditions and limitations reduces unnecessary costs that may influence the price of services to the public and improves the airlines' ability to provide on-time, dependable air service. The FAA has previously found that the requested exemption would not reduce the level of safety when the airline complied with these conditions and limitations. TWA has exercised this exemption under these conditions and limitations for almost two years as TWA Airlines LLC and six years prior to that as Trans World Airlines, Inc. with no adverse effect on safety. TWA continues to maintain the program with the highest standards across its entire fleet of aircraft and currently is in compliance with all provisions and requirements of this exemption.

Granting an extension of this exemption is in the public interest due to conditions and circumstances that warranted the original grant of exemption continue to exist. The benefits to the traveling public, the FAA, and TWA are the same as in the original petition also.

Publication of notice of this petition in the Federal Register is unnecessary considering the relief requested will not set a precedent as this exemption is identical to the one previously granted. Therefore, in accordance with the provisions of FAR 11.27 (j)(3)(i), Exceptions to Publication of Summary of Petition for Exemption, TWA requests that a finding of good cause be made for waiving publication in the Federal Register.

As required by FAR Section 11.25 (d), a summary of this petition is enclosed.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

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## Summary

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